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## **II. REMARKS AND REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT**

Applicant respectfully requests that a Corrected Filing Receipt be issued in the above-identified application that correctly reflects the Priority Data. The Priority Data for the above-identified application was added by the Preliminary Amendment filed September 20, 1999. The present amendment add the patent number to the previously provided serial number. The Priority Data should read as follows:

This application is a continuation of Ser. No. 08/617,658 filed April 1, 1996, and issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,956,491 on September 21, 1999.

The Filing Receipt mailed on October 28, 1998, does not contain any of the continuation information for the above-identified application. Applicant has not enclosed a copy of the Filing Receipt with corrections thereon in red ink because the Filing Receipt does not contain a place for corrections to be made thereon in red ink.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and favorable action is requested. If the prosecution of this case can be in any way advanced by a telephone discussion or by a personal interview, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (312) 240-0824.

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**III. CONCLUSION**

APPLICANT CLAIMS LARGE ENTITY STATUS. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the above-identified patent application or credit any overcharges to Deposit Account No. 50-0235, and if any extension of time is needed, this shall be deemed a petition therefor.

Please direct all communication to the undersigned at the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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**Amended Version of the Specification****I. FIELD OF INVENTION**

This invention is a continuation of serial number 08/617,658 filed April 1, 1996, and issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,956,491 on September 21, 1999, directed to an apparatus, a  
5 manufacture, and methods for making and using the same, in a field of digital electrical computer systems. More particularly, the present invention is directed to a digital electrical computer system involving a plurality of participator computers linked by a network to at least one of a plurality of participator computers, the participator computers operating in conjunction with the controller computer to handle multiplexing operations for communications involving  
10 groups of some of the participator computers.